A Number of Petersburg Young Men Who Received Its Benefits.

A NEW POSTOFFICE CLERK.

Sales of Valuable Sycamore and Bolingbroke Property at Auction, Much of It Bid In-Warehouses Suspend for Christmas.

CAKE WALK MATINEE.

The Fun Will Be Repeated at the Academy This Afternoon, as indications are that another large

YOUNG BARNES SENT ON.

He Waived Examination and Went to

was charged with embezzlement of funds belonging to his employer, Mr. John T. Powers, was carried before the Police Court yeaterday.

He waived examination and the case was sent on to the grand jury. Itali was funded by the court of the grand jury. Itali was funded by the court of the case with the case was sent on to the grand jury. Itali was funded by the court of the case with the case was sent on to the grand jury. Itali was funded by the case was sent on to the grand jury. Itali was funded by the case was sent on to the grand jury. Itali was funded by the case was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury itali was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury itali was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury itali was sent or to the grand jury. Itali was sent or to the grand jury itali was sent or to the grand jur was sent on to the grand jury. Ball was affered but was refused by Justice Crutchfield, and Barnes was taken to hall. It is understood that application for hall will be made before the Bustings Court to-day. Barnes yesterday afternoon sont word to a friend at the County Court that he wanted him to go on his cause it, soothing and cause it, soothing and diseased these

fourt that he wanted him to go on his



Makes the food more delicious and wholesome

up before the Police Court yeste lars, was sent down for six months.

John Bosher was fined \$1.70 for being drunk. He paid it and departed.

The City Courts.

In the Hustings Court yesterday Prices
Rakes and Charles Roneparte, both negroes, were acquitted of the charge of
malicrous assault.

In the City Circuit Court judgment rendered in notice of motion for judgment
of D. B. Cox against F. C. Wilson for
\$137.5.

ary of the Law and Equity Court the sulls I. Mendello against the Richmond Works and Mary E. Weeks against Tiller were dismissed from the

Sending of Their Gifts.

approach of Christmas always

Faneral of Mr. Hampton

XMAS HOLIDAY RATES

To Points on the N. and W. Railway.

Richmond to Lynchburg and return \$5.

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO R'Y. Christmas and New Year Holi

day Rates.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES VIA R., F. AND P. B. R.

The Richmon I, Fredericksburg and Poomae Rairread Company will sell ticket hased on a fare and one third for the round trip. Rate to Washington, \$4.85; to Alexandria, \$4.60; to Fredericksburg, \$2.00 for the round trip. These tickets will be on sale December 224 to 25th and December 20th to January 21, inclusive, good to return until January 4, 1850. To students of schools

Tickets for sale at Byrd-Street station

or at office of Richmond Transfer Company, 9d cast Main street.
W. F. TAYLOR,
Traffic Manager.

A DISPLAY OF SHOES.

SPECIAL SERVICE VIA C. AND O.

CHRISTMAS EVE. On Saturday, December 21th, Chesa-peske and Onto James-River Division train leaving Richmond at 5 P. M. will run through to Gladstone, and Chesa-peske and Onto main line 5:30 P. M. train will run through to Charlottesville, stops being made at all intermediate

Antoni, the confectioner, 825 Broad street. His trade mark—"Not how cheap" but "how good." His new store leads all, his sweets are the best and freshest.

CATARRIE in the head is cured by Head's Sarsaparilla, which cradicates from the cloud the scrofulous taints that cause it, soothing and rebuilding the deli-cate and diseased lissues.

tond.

Roy Richmons, who is already under take with Hoo's Sarsaparilla. Cure all two sentences of four months cach, was liver ills.

CAN THE BOARDS CHANGE BOOKS?

An Interesting Case to Be Heard by Judge Letcher in January

ON MANDAMUS PROCEEDINGS

Sucd Out by the Publishers of Frye's Geographies, Whose Books Were Discarded After First Adoption by Board of Rockingham Co.

he hands of the pupils.
PROHIBITING A CHANGE.

prior to the summary stop which State Board of Education put to them.

APPEAL FOR A PARDON.

An Old Negro Asks His Former Master's Son to Assist Him.

and he should not have been convicted

The opera glasses where. The Governor, therefore, coul-e latest styles and not even consider the case, for this in formation is absolutely necessary.

SIXTEEN PRISONERS RELEASED.

Justice John Gives Them a Christma

Present. Present.

Sixteen prisoners at the city jail were given their liberty yesterday by Justice Crutchfield. They were happy as bess in a clover patch, and they showed it. The list of those discharged, with the dates on which they were convicted and the time they were given, is given below: Samuel Carter (colored). December 12th, ten days; Wm. Dandridge (colored). October 25th, six days; Thomas Daiy (white), December 3th, fifteen days-labor; Lee Edwards (colored). November 2th, thirty days; Blair Edwards (colored). November 2th, thirty days; Samcember 18th, (Wenty mays show, 18th, twenty days-labor; J. P. Pegram (white). November 22d, thirty days; Jos. Rickett (colored). December 18th, ten days; James Roy (white), December 18th, thirty days-labor, December 18th, 18th, abor; Daniel Ryan (white), December ten days; Fred Stahl, December 8th, 6f teen days-labor; Louisa Burton (colored)

NO MORE RECRUITING.

Richmonders Will Not Join the Fourth Varginia Regiment.

The Virginians having left Savannah or Cuba. Capt. Wyatt has asked the Var Department for further instructions. are fifty or sixty members of the three Richmond companies anxious to join the Fourth. They will be disappointed for Captain Wyatt yesterday received or ders that no more recruits would be accepted, and he will close the re-cruiting office here and leave for his command as once.

"The Telephone Girl."

Morton & Kerker's musical comedy, "The Telephone Girl" a sister play of "The Girl from Paris," which scored such a great success in New York at the lastno Theatre, comes to this city for the first time at the Academy of Music to-merrow night and Saturday direct from New York, with the original east and production entire, which numbers over forty people. The story of the "Telephone Girl" is taken from the Freach, and its fun is based on the dis-tress of a telephone girl who hears her sweetheart's conversation over the wire with a vaudeville actress. Jealousy en-sues; so do many amusing complications, Clara Lipman and Louis Mann head the cast, while in the chorus are the pretcast while in the chorus are the pret-tlest lot of girls that have doubtless ever-been seen in this city. The chorus is

wholly feminine, and the ballets are against the established rule of tights clothed in long skirts—which enhances the beauty of the production.

The sale of seats has commenced for the engagement of the Koster & Bial All-Star Vaudville Company on next Monday and Tuesday, with a matinee Monday (Christmas Day). In the company is some of the best dramatic and operatic talent ever seen at one time upon the stage of th Academy of Music.

Had a Big Ovation.

Messrs. Samuel R. Crowder and John S. Calvert, who, as personal represen-tatives of the Western Union Telegraph Company, accompanied President McKinthe Southern States, returned home Tues-day night. They express themselves as much pleased with the trip and say that

much pleased with the trip and say that
the entire journey was one continued
ovation to President McKinley and his
distinguished guests.
These gentlemen were highly complimented and cordially thanked by the
special correspondents of the several
Northern papers in the party on the valuable aid rendered them in their articles

The New Postal Card Fad.

from the most artistic points. is designated where Patrick Henry stood in 1175, when he uttered the immortal

Cardoza on Cuban Soil., Corporal W. Harry Cardoza, who is

west of Twenty-fourth and took ninery, patterns, etc., machines of Henrico-C. H. Goodman and wife to Fred. Moss, Sr., 6 ages in upper part o Henrico, \$60.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES VIA R., F. AND P. R. R.

The Richmond, Fredericksburg and Poomac Railroad Company will sell roun-

NORFOLK ANDWESTERN RAIL

WAY. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSION TICKETS TO ALL POINTS AT THE
RATE OF ONE AND ONE
THIRD PAGES FOR
BOUND TRIP.

\$10-GRAPHOPHONES-\$10, Largest stock in the South—all sizes and all prices Come and see them, 7,500 Records. Open every evening during Xmas until 10 o'clock. Waiter D. Moses

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MUSIC BOXES! MUSIC BOXES! From the smallest and finest to the argest and lest. Open every evening toring Xmas until 10 o'clock. Walter D.

MANY MUSICAL INTSRUMENTS.

ew, handsome ones right from Knabe The handsomely equipped music store contains everything new known to the

of the instruments he offers. In stock are quite a number of organs and an elgant pipe organ.

There is, too, a department of small instruments—such as guilars, mandolins, and some very fine violins, all the latest sheet music, with new songs.

Mr. Ramos offers as a serviceable Christmas gift the Metrenome, an instrument for plane mayers, assisting them ment for plano players, assisting them in keeping time while playing. It is well worth the time to visit and inspect the stock of the Manly B. Ramos Company

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY RATES 1898 '99, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY,

on its line and connections east of the Mississippi and south of the Potenta rivers at rate of one and one third lirst-class fares for the round (rip; selling dates, December 25d, 25d, 24th, 25th, 26th, 20th and 21, 1838, and January 1 and 2, 1829.

Tickets will also be on sale for leachers and students of schools and colleges become 16th to 25th inclusive, at above rates, upon presentation of certificates from presidents or principals of such institutions. Final limit of all tickets Same rates and conditions will apply via York River line, Richmond to Balti-more, at rate of \$1.25 round trip.

USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Extra Stock of Diamonds, Watches, and Jewelry.

We have just received from one of the largest wholesale houses in New York city one of the largest stocks of Diamonds, Watches, and Jewelry ever before seen in Richmond.

Value, Fifty Thousand Dollars.

These goods are sent to us on consignment. All which is not sold will be returned Xmas morning. There being no expense we are going to sell at very low prices.

J. T. Allen & Co.

14th and Main Streets.

A Full Line of Sterling Silver Novelties.

Open Evenings Untill 11 o'Clock

SIDE-LIGHTS ON THE SPANISH WAR

Some Minor Reports That Have Not Been Heretofore Made Public.

MONTIJO'S STORY OF CAVITE.

He Expresses Much Disgust at the Inefficiency of Spain's Manila Defences-A Graphic Account of Dewcy's Work.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.-The official reports of all commanding officers of the navy during the war have been com-piled and published by the Navy Department. While treating of events that have already figured in official reports that have reached the public the documents still contain many minor reports that throw side lights on

Almost in the beginning in the brief re-cord of the proceedings of the naval war board, an anknown hero is brought to board, an anknown nero is brought of light in the person of Ensign H. II. Ward, who at the beginning of the war was on duty in the navigation bureau, alternating with Lieutenant Whittlesey in the heavy duties of assistant to the chief of the bureau. He volunteered for secret service duty and his exploits, about which nothing has been said in the past may well be placed on record beside those of Lieutehant Rowan in Cuba, and

Whitney in Porto Rico.
HIS FIRST EXPEDITION. Within a week after the declaration of war, Ensign Ward disguised himself and went right into the heart of the enemy's country, making his headquarters at Cadiz, the principal Spanish naval sta-tion, and informing the Navy Department of the actual strength of the Spanish tion, and informing the Navy Department here of the actual strength of the Span-ish naval vessels and their movements. Then he went to the West Indies and re-ported everything that was going on

cious character and a spy. By adroitness he managed to secure his release and escaping from San Juan cabled the Navy Department a full account of the state of the defences there and the preparations making for the reception of the Spanish squadron under Cervera. All this time even the officials of the Navy Department were under the impression that Mr. Ward was engaged in installing a system of coast signals on the New

England coast. ANOTHER HERO.
While Ward was in Porto Rico, Ensign Buck, another attache of the Navigation Bureau, was on the shores of the Mediterranean, in disguise, watching every movement of the squadron of Admiral Camara, which started for the Philippines, but turned back.
Of the Strategy Board itself, it was said it was part of its duty to keep informed of all of the movements, resources and plans of the Spanish naval forces through secret agents, and the Navy Department was thus informed of all important movements. At times, ANOTHER HERO.

all important movements. At times, however, information was conflicting and istons had to be made as to which

The reports of the famous naval battle of Cavite include one from United States Corsel Williams, a rather unusual thing in a report of a strictly naval character; but fully justified by its picture-sque and antechnical description of Dewey's great

SPANISH REPORT. Following it is a report to this Govern ment on the same engagement by the commander-in-chief of the ill-fates Spanish fleet, Montijo.

The Admiral depicts the bad condition of the Spanish fleet and defences. He says that the cruiser Castilla was incapable of manoeuvering on account of her bad condition, while the defences at the entrance of Subig Bay, were very back-ward. With much disgust he found that the guns which should have been mountthe guns which should have been hount-ed were delayed a month and a haif, and he was no less disgusted to find that reliance was had for the defence of the port upon a few torpedoes not properly placed. Finding Subig Bay defenceless, the Spanish squadron repaired to the Bay of Manila to meet battle under less up (avorable, conditions.

READY FOR ACTION. READY FOR ACTION.

The Admiral avoided the city, not wishing to draw fire upon it, and prepared his fleet for action, painting his vessels a dark gray and having the fires aspread and springs on the cables. He says that the force of Dewey's vessels, leaving out the transports, amounted to 21,410 tons, 49,220 horse-power, 163 guns (many rapid-fire), 1,750 men and an average velocity of sev-

horse-power, 183 guns (many rapid-fire), 1,750 men and an average velocity of seventeen miles.

Against this the power of his only five effective ships was, 10,111 tons; 11,200 horsepower; 75 guns (very short of rapid fire) 1,874 crew, and maximum speed 12 miles The Admiral describes in vivid language

the terrible effect of the American on-slaught on the Spanish vessels. He says: "The Americans fired most rapidly. The Americans fired most rapidly.
There came upon us numerous projectiles as the three cruisers to the end of the line devoted themselves almost entirely to fight the Christina, my flagship. A short time after the action commenced one shell exploded in the foreurs it and put out of action all of those who served the four rapid fire cannons.

TERRIBLE HAVOC.

"At 7:20 one shell destroyed completely the steering gear. * * Another destroyed the mizzen, bringing down my flag and ensign. * * * Another shell exploded on the poop and put out of action nine men. A fresh shell exploded in the officers cabin, covering the hospital with blood, destroying the wounded who were being treated there. Another exploded in the ammunition room. * * I had to flood the magazines when the carthad to flood the magazines when the cart-ridges began to explode. One large shell penetrated the fire room, putting out of action one master gunner and twelve men serving the guns. Another rendered use-less the starboard bow gun, and while the fire increased astern another fire started forward from another shell. The

THE SHIP ABANDONED.

The ship being out of control, the hull, smoke pipe, and mast riddled with shot, half of the crew out of action, among whom were seven officers. I gave the order to sink and abandon the ship before the magazines should explode,"

The story of the loss of the Castilla was substantially the story of the loss of all of the other Spanish ships, and Admiral Montijo sums up his action with this statement:

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"The inefficiency of the vessels which composed my little squadron, the lack of all classes of the personnel, especially of gunners and seamen gunners, the inaptitude of some of the provisional machinists, the scarcity of rapid-fire cannon, the strong crews of the enemy, and the unp-rected character of the greater part of our vessels, all contributed to make much more decided the sacrifice which we made for our country and to prevent the possibility of the horrors of a bombardment of the city of Manila, with the conviction that with the scarcity of our force against the superior enemy we were going to certain death and could expect a loss of all our ships. Our casualties, including those of the arsenal, amounted to 3st men killed and warmendal."

A dengatrul programme has seen previous pared for the Saunday-school teachers' meeting at the Young Men's Christian Association next Saturday afternoon at 4.29 o'clock. Dr. Pell will on the lesson, and interesting ten-minute taiks will be given by Dr. W. Meade Clark and Rev. J. Calvin Stewart, Dr. Pell will tell how to study the lessons for 1899.

A, P, V, A. Lecture.

Hon Francis R Laussiter, of Petersburg, will, on the evening of December 20th, deliver the first of the lectures under the auspices of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, taking as his subject, "Benedict Arnold's Raid."

The lecture will be delivered at 8.30 o'clock in the hall of the House of Deleviting the part of the convertion of the provision of the p

arsenal, amounted to 381 men killed and Apparently the first suggestion of the organization of the "Flying Squadron", which was to divert Admiral Camara's squadron from its voyage to Manila, came from Dewey, for in a dispatch of June 27th, he says: "In my judgment, if the coast of Spain was threatened the

Next he went again into the enemy's country in disguise, this time to Porto Rico where he was arrested as a suspicious character and a say. Proc. 1. The suspicious character and a say Proc. 1. The suspicious character and 2. The suspicious character and 2. The suspicious character and of United States Consul in Manila and rendering the Admiral great assistance. The Admiral's estimate of the importof the Philippine Islands, is set in the following telegram sent in answer to an inquiry on the subject from the

THE PHILIPPINES. "Secretary of the Navy, Washington:
"Referring to the Department's telegram of August 13th, important islands
are: Colon, Luzon, Panay, Cebu,
Negros, Leyte, Others, owing to the nature of the inhabitants have a small
amount of civilization want of cultivation.
They may be neglected, especially, island

They may be neglected, especially isles of Southern group. "Luzon is in all respects the most desirable to retain. Contains most impor-tant commercial ports. Manila is furth-est north. Produces all of the good to-bacco. Friendly natives. Civilization somewhat advanced. Not yet developed. somewhat advanced. Not yet developed Possible rich minerals. Population \$25, 600. Subig Bay best harbor for coalina purposes and military; water deep; land locked; easily defended. Strategically command of bay and city of Manila with arsenal at Cavite most valuable Panaya. Cebu. Negros thickly populated most civilized and well cultivated. Hollo, second commercial port center, of sugar trade, a good harbor strategically, in view of the situation, good for defense. Cebu, third commercial port; a good harbor, very desirable.

bor, very desirable.
POOR COAL ON ISLANDS. PORT.

to this Governagement by the the lil-fated to Washington. Should regret very me to Washington. Should regret very much to leave here while matters remain in present critical condition. (Signed) "DEWEY."

(Signed) "DEWEY."
Very naturally the report of the operations of the North Atlantic fleet comprises the largest part of the printed
body. Most of the facts have already body. Most of the facts have already appeared but in the very beginning there is a most interesting exchange of letters between Secretary Long and Admiral Sampson, showing that even before the outbreak of the war the Admiral had worked out a complete plan for the im-mediate reduction of Havana with his own squadron unsupported, and was only prevented from carrying out that plan by orders from the Department, which wished to protect the big ironclads. SCHLEY'S REPORT

An unpublished report up to this time is one by Admiral Schley, dated June lst, giving an account of the bombard-ment by his fleet of the fortifications of Santiago, the day before Sampson arrived on the scene. The Admiral says in

"None of our vessels were struck, al-"None of our vessels were struck, al-though the shots fell over and around them. I have learned from insurgents that the Reina Mercedes was struck by a shell and eight men killed and also that a number of shots struck the Morro. The reconnaisance developed the fact that the Spanish vessels are in the harbor and

Orlop, setting fire to the crews bags.* * | gard to the location of the contemplated power-house. Mr. Holley will make a report to the promoters of the company as to the prospects for the development of water

POCAHONTAS WAS DELAYED.

The Fog Detained Her at City Point Tuesday Night.

Richmond Tuesday night. On account of the dense fog it tied up at City Point and stayed there until early yesterday

to Richmond Tuesday night. Forty-two remained on board the vessel and came to the city yesterday with Purser Archer. The Pocahontas reached here at 4:39 P. M. yesterday and it was intended to have her leave for Norfolk at 6 o'clock. The fog was so denies the vessel had not gotten off at a late hour last night. It was held in readiness to start for Norfolk whosever the for should disampear. folk whenever the fog should disappear.

Sunday-School Teachers' Meeting.

o'clock in the hall of the House of Dele-gates, and will doubtless attract to that place another of the large and discrimi-nating audiences which have welcomed other lecturers in former seasons.

Young Lady Injured.

Miss Carrie Fisher, who was badly hurt
by jumping from a buggy, on Broad
street, last Monday evening, is still confined to her bed at her home, on the Meadow Eridge Road.

Mr. Henry Finke, who was about to
take Miss Fisher driving when the horse
started to run away, was not in the
store, as stated, but was just taking the
blanket off the horse, when the animal

ran off at full speed, and Miss Fisher leaped from the buggy.

The Tabernaele Sold. Mr. N. W. Bowe yesterday sold the Grace Street Tabernacie to Mr. Michael Kelly for \$600. The structure had been used until recently by the congregation

ruction of their handsome edifice by

Officer Marion Sutton, of the Second District, has in his possession a bunch of

A Bunch of Keys.

A LARGE PIANO MANUFACTURER has arranged with us to introduce in this vicinity his planes, and to do so in a hurry, we will for a short time offer them

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Pure Catawba Wine, per gallon \$ 40
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Wine for Jelly 40
California Sherry Wine 76
Imported Sherry Wine 104
Port Wine 104
Port Wines, per bottle, imported 105
Rye Whiskey 128
Rye Whiskey 128
Old Rye Whiskey 15 years old 156
Old Rye Whiskey 5 years old 204
Old Rye Whiskey 5 years old 305
Pine N. C. Corn Whiskey 3
Years old 156
Presch Brandy, 2 years old 264
Presch Brandy, 2 years old 305
Pure Old Va. Apple Brandy 266
Presch Brandy 2 years old 306
Rye Whiskey 5 years old 266
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Rye Claret Wine 90
Blackberry Wine 81
Blackberry Brandy per gallon Pire Va. Peach Brandy, per gallon Pure Va. Peach Brandy, per gall 306
Sweet Cider, per gallon 150
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